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FOR: METHODS FOR IDENTIFYING THE ACTIVITY OF GENE PRODUCTS

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**RESPONSE TO REQUIREMENT FOR ELECTION OF SPECIES**

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**Mail Stop Amendment**

Commissioner for Patents

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed October 18, 2007, entry and consideration of the following remarks are respectfully requested.

A CMV promoter is elected. Claims 1-24 read on the elected species.

Applicants earnestly solicit an early and favorable examination on the merits. The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned if any further information is required.

Respectfully submitted,

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